

VEGETABLES

20882. Adulteration of dried beans. U. S. v. 14 Bags * * * (and 2 other seizure actions). (F. D. C. No. 35625. Sample Nos. 64512-L, 64649-L, 64650-L.)

LIBELS FILED: October 2, 1953, Western District of Washington.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 21, 1952, and February 4 and March 4 and 30, 1953, from San Francisco, Calif., and New York, N. Y.

PRODUCT: 46 100-pound bags and 29 110-pound bags of dried beans at Seattle, Wash., in the possession of Angelo Merlino & Sons.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent urine and rodent excreta; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the article had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: October 30, 1953. Angelo Merlino & Sons, claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree and the libel actions having been consolidated, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for segregation of the unfit portion, under the supervision of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. On April 26, 1954, an amended decree was entered providing for use other than for human consumption. Pursuant to this decree, the product was denatured for use as hog feed.

20883. Adulteration and misbranding of canned lima beans. U. S. v. 249 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. No. 35242. Sample No. 73334-L.)

LIBEL FILED: May 14, 1953, Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about April 17, 1953, by The Brakeleys, Inc., from Milford, Del.

PRODUCT: 249 cases, each containing 6 unlabeled No. 10 cans, of lima beans at Philadelphia, Pa.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance.

Misbranding, Section 403 (e) (1) and (2), the article failed to bear a label containing the name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer, or distributor, and an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents; and, Section 403 (g) (2), the article purported to be and was represented as canned lima beans, a food for which a definition and standard of identity has been prescribed by regulations, and the label of the article failed to bear, as required by such definition and standard, the name of the food specified in the definition and standard.

DISPOSITION: June 22, 1953. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

20884. Misbranding of canned lima beans. U. S. v. 64 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. No. 35211. Sample No. 73070-L.)

LIBEL FILED: May 8, 1953, Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 4, 1952, by Harry Strauss, from Frederica, Del.

PRODUCT: 64 cases, each containing 24 1-pound, 4-ounce cans, of lima beans at Philadelphia, Pa. Examination showed that the product consisted of large, badly bleached lima beans containing a large proportion of broken beans.

LABEL, IN PART: (Can) "Packed By Draper Brothers Frederica, Del. Blue Hen * * * Small Green Lima Beans."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label statement "Small Green Lima Beans" and the label vignette depicting a dish of small size, green, whole lima beans were false and misleading as applied to a product which consisted of large size, badly bleached lima beans containing a large proportion of broken beans.

DISPOSITION: September 16, 1953. Default decree of condemnation. The court ordered that the product be delivered to charitable institutions.

20885. Misbranding of frozen lima beans. U. S. v. 625 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. No. 35246. Sample No. 59095-L.)

LIBEL FILED: May 13, 1953, Northern District of Georgia.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about April 3, 1953, by the Michigan Frosted Foods Co., from Bay City, Mich.

PRODUCT: 625 cases, each containing 24 10-ounce cartons, of frozen lima beans at Atlanta, Ga. Examination showed that the product was frozen, dry, soaked lima beans of medium size and non-uniform in color.

LABEL, IN PART: (Carton) "Thrif-T-Pak * * * frozen fresh * * * Baby Lima Beans."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label designation "frozen fresh * * * Baby Lima Beans" and the vignette on the label depicting baby lima beans of uniform green color were false and misleading as applied to a product which was frozen, dry, soaked lima beans of medium size and not uniform in color.

DISPOSITION: August 31, 1953. Thrif-T-Pak, Sweet Frost Co., Inc., Atlanta, Ga., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for relabeling under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

20886. Adulteration of canned black-eyed peas. U. S. v. 133 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. No. 35402. Sample No. 38963-L.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about August 24, 1953, Western District of Virginia.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 11, 1953, by the Steele Canning Co., from Springdale, Ark.

PRODUCT: 133 cases, each containing 24 1-pound cans, of black-eyed peas at Lynchburg, Va.

LABEL, IN PART: (Can) "Little Mill Brand Contents 1 Pound Fresh Green Shelled Blackeyed Peas."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (1), the article contained a deleterious substance, pieces of glass, which may have rendered the article injurious to health.

DISPOSITION: November 24, 1953. Default decree of condemnation. The court ordered that the product be delivered to a State institution, for use other than for human consumption.